

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 6 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- ~~This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/454,582, filed March 14, 2003, and incorporated herein by reference.~~

This application claims the benefit, under 35 U.S.C. § 365 of International Application PCT/US04/07411, filed March 22, 2004, which was published in accordance with PCT Article 21(2) on September 30, 2004 in English and which claims the benefit of United States provisional patent application No. 60/454,582, filed March 14, 2003. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 4 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Remote system management/administration is a key requirement on any type of computer systems. Using web browsers (HTTP protocol) as the interface for remote management is becoming an essential management feature. In order to provide secure browser based remote management, HTTPS is the natural choice. However, for embedded systems, such as WLAN access points, the resource requirement on HTTPS may be too great consuming large amounts of storage space and ~~requires~~ requiring corresponding overhead support and CPU power. In fact, these limitations have historically prevented the development of a practical solution to a secure browser based administration mechanism. For example, most of today's commercially available wireless access points do not protect the remote administration exchanges between the browsers and the access points. A would be hacker might easily obtain administrator passwords and damage the access points.--